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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22314-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 15, 2007, 2007, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.